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In Application of:

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GENERATION OF MOVEMENT OF
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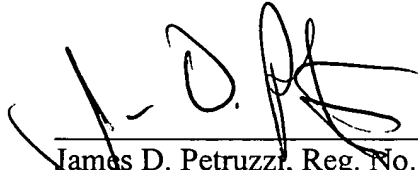
Sir: -

Applicant has recently become aware of M.P.E.P. §2001.06(c), that may require additional notice of a pending litigation relating to a parent and continuation application that pre-issued the instant pending application. The instant application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/160,234 filed May 31, 2002, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,768,416 (the '416 Patent') which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/528,769 filed March 17, 2000 and issued July 9, 2003 as U.S. Patent No. 6,417,763 (the '763 Patent'). The '763 Patent and the '416 Patent are currently pending in litigation entitled: *Excellent Inventions, L.L.C. v. FKA Distributing Co., et al.*, Civil Action Number H-04-4543, in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Houston Division. Briefs pertaining to a preliminary injunction request and claim construction were filed by both parties which included arguments on the issue of inequitable conduct. The Court issued a ruling denying a preliminary injunction and has

construed Claim 2 of the '763 Patent and claim 1 of the '416 Patent all of which can be made available upon request.

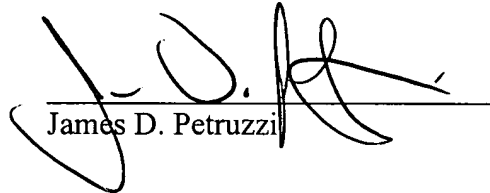
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